ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Users and programmers can load semi-structured hierarchical data, such as

XML data, of arbitrary size and structure into relational database tables using an

5   schema such as an SQL-annotated XML schema. The schema describes how

XML data maps into base tables and fields, including complex one-to-many and

many-to-many relationships. The hierarchical data is streamed into the relational

database tables in a single operation.

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